

# The Washington Post NEWS

This poll was conducted for The Washington Post and ABC News by telephone September 4 to 8, 2013 among a random national sample of 1,020 adults, including users of both conventional and cellular phones.

The results from the full survey have a margin of sampling error of plus or minus 3.5 percentage points. Sampling, data collection and tabulation by SSRS of Media, Pa.

\*= less than 0.5 percent



1. The United States says it has determined that the Syrian government has used chemical weapons in the civil war there. Given this, do you support or oppose the United States launching missile strikes against the Syrian government? Do you feel that way strongly, or somewhat?

	----- Support -----			----- Oppose -----			No
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
9/8/13	30	14	16	64	21	44	6
9/1/13	36	18	18	59	21	39	5

Compare to:

What if the Syrian government uses chemical weapons against its people? In that case would you support or oppose U.S. military involvement in Syria?

	Support	Oppose	Depends (vol.)	No opinion
12/16/12	63	30	2	5

2. Regardless of your opinion on missile strikes, do you approve or disapprove of Barack Obama's decision to ask Congress to authorize U.S. military action against the Syrian government? Do you feel that way strongly, or somewhat?

	----- Approve -----			----- Disapprove -----			No
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
9/8/13	57	33	24	39	11	28	4

3a. (IF SUPPORT MISSILE STRIKES) What if Congress does not authorize military action - in that case would you support or oppose Obama ordering missile strikes against the Syrian government anyway? Do you feel that way strongly, or somewhat?

	----- Support -----			----- Oppose -----			No
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
9/8/13	59	32	27	38	17	21	2

1/3a NET

	Support	NET	----- Oppose -----	No opinion
			Now do	At first
9/8/13	17	76	11	65

3b. (IF OPPOSE MISSILE STRIKES) What if Congress authorizes military action - in that case would you support or oppose Obama ordering missile strikes against the Syrian government? Do you feel that way strongly, or somewhat?

	----- Support -----			----- Oppose -----			No
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	opinion
9/8/13	22	7	15	76	20	55	2

1/3b NET

	----- Support -----				No
	NET	Now do	At first	Oppose	opinion
9/8/13	44	14	30	48	6

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